A very important and significent financial transaction was reported to the Treasury Department a few days ago in the sale of Exchange on London to the amount of \$1,000,-000 made by the Bank of New York as the agent of the Bank of Nevada, to Messrs. Von Hoffman. The exchange was against bullion and trade dollars shipped from San Francisco to China direct on London account. It appears that the silver trade between the United States and China, on home as well as foreign account, is rapidly assuming important dimensions. The Bank of Nevada, the stockholders of which are owners of the Consolidated and California silver mines, is making great and successful efforts to control this silver trade, not only for its own pecuniary benefit, but in order to have the direction of a trade which naturally belongs to the Pacific Coast. The advantage offered by the transaction of this business by the Bank of Nevada, or any other suitable banking corporation of the Pacific coast, is shown in the fact that a dispatch sent from London ordering the shipment of a specific amount of miver to any designated firm, will enable the silver to reach its destination within thirty days.formerly, when the business was entirely carried on from London, it required eighty days. This sale of \$1,009,000 of exchange on silver shipped direct to China was the means of keeping that amount of gold in the country. Some idea of the present di-mensions of the silver trade of San Francisco may be formed from the following official figures: On the 6th of May the total shipments were upwards of \$1,000,000. On May 17th, \$4,000,000, in the following proportions: Silver bullion, \$2,966,000; trade dollars, \$760,000; Mexicans, \$274,000.

Telling Bad News. 2

The Gold Hill News contains the following:

A miner whom we will call Hughes fell down a winze in one of the Comstock mines several years ago and was killed. His companions gathered up his remains and, putting them in an express wagon, started for his home. Another miner, a fine good-hearted fellow was sent on ahead to bear the sad news to the bereaved family. All the way along he was discussing with himself as to how he should tell the terrible story so as not to crush the unfortunate household; but he reached the house before having definitely settled upon his plan. Meeting Mrs. Hughes at the door he accosted her in the usual manner of an acquaintance and said: "Where's George to-day, Mrs. Hughes?"

"He's at work at the mine," she replied. "How is he feeling to day?" was the next question. The news-bearer was becoming desperate. He was a brave man whose heart was so tender that he did not know how to tell a woman of her husband's death With some show of surprise Mrs. Hughes

answered the last question. "About as well as he generally does, I believe."

The man was desperate, and not knowing what to say, he blurred out: "I'll bet you ten dollars he's dead, and here comes the body in a wagon."

Afterwards in talking over the matter with his comrades he said it was the greatest trial he had ever experienced, and that hereafter when a man was killed they might call on somebody else to tell the news.

The Cimaron News and Press in a well considered article on the Mexican border troubles, speaking of the probability of the United States acquiring the five northern states of Mexico, says:

"The acquisition would be of questionable benefit to the United States on account of the disturbed state of the country and the habits of the people, whose continual internecine wars have made them far better guerrillas than laborers, adepts at destroying rather than producing. Still order might be brought out of this confusion in time, and American energy, skill and capital revive the stagnant industries and utilize the now useless resourcas of that country. A line might be drawn along the 26th parallel diverging so as to take in Southern Califorms, thus reducing our border some seven, hundred miles, and making it so much the easier to protect.

The following states would thus be transferred to the United States: Chihuahua, Sonora, Cohuita, Durango, Sinaloa, and parts of Zacatecas and Nuevo Leon, which would include some fine sections of country, and rich, though at present undeveloped and neglected, mines. We can get along without this additional territory, but it seems to be a manifest sort of destiny that we must take it sooner or later.

At Dos Palmas and Walter's Station, on the Colorado desert, the range of the ther-mometer the past few days has been from 110 to 118 degrees in the shade.

It is rumored that Disraeli is about to resign the Premiership in the English Cabinet on account of ill-health,

The Colorado river is once more confined within its banks; in fact, the river is said to be getting quite low.

The "tail end of the Democratic party" and the "long ears" of the Republican party have gone into partnership. We shall await with anxiety the result of the joint laber .- [S. B. Times.

Tom Goodman, the pioneer of Ehrenberg and owner of the ferry at that place, who is, by the way, an energetic citizen, is busy passing the public to and from the banks of California and Arizona.

The Rothschild-the one at the head of the Vienua firm-has only an income of \$75,000 a day. We had been under the impression that he was doing moderately well in business and was in comfortable circumstances.

The Postmaster-General has prescribed a new schedule of government telegraph rates in which the principle is taid down that in no case shall the government pay more for a 25-word message than the private citizen for one of ten words.

The property of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company in Los Angeles county is assessed at \$1,239,575, and the taxes thereon amount to \$23,946.22. This assessment does not include the Los Angeles and Independence road recently purchased.

The Controller of the Currency reports that the amount of national bank notes in circulation June 30th was was \$315,620,247 and the legal tender notes outstanding that date \$359,764,332. These amounts together make a snug little sum, not altogether to be

The Philadelphia papers are engaged in a crusade against the backmen. The "Inquirer," of that city, demands that the backstands be abolished, and the public informed that vehicles can be as readily and reasonably hired at any of the many livery stables in the city.

An Athens special to the Paris Trumps reports that detachments of Greek volunteers have passed the Turkish frontiers.

The insurrectionary movement is expected to spread in Thessaly. The Minister of Corner McCormick & Gurley Sts., War is mobilizing Greek troops, and the Minister of the Interior is calling out volunteers.

A dispatch dated Athens, July 19th, says the public mind is much agitated. The students have sent an address to the King asking him to declare war against the Turks. The situation is crureal. Volunteers are taking up arms. Massacres by Turkish irregulars are reported from various districts of Macedonia.

The employees of the Central and Southern Pacific Railroads have very sensibly accepted the reduction of their wages without a strike. Governor Stanford thought of striking when ten per cent, was lopped off his salaries, but when he reflected upon the fact that many capable men would accept his positions, he changed his mind.

The London Times' Athens correspondent, of July 20th, telegraphs as follows: Official telegrams speak of great excitement in Thrace and Macedonia, especially at Philippopoli, and of measures concerted by Consuls and local autho ities for securing the public safety. Many people here expect a rising of Greek Rayaps in a few days. There is no enthusiasm in Athens.

Advices from Constantinople, of July 20, say Hobart Pasha has been ordered to bombard all places of importance on the Russian coast of the Black Sea.

A levy en masse has been ordered in the province of Adrianople.

. Hobart Pasha has sailed with two iron-clads for the Black Sea to supercede Hassen Pasha in command of the fleet.

A correspondent of the London Times, at Bucharest under date of July 20, sends the following: Rustchuk appears to be completely surrounded, but we have no news as yet of the commencement of siege operatious. When the blockade of Rustchuk is compléte, so that its garrison cannot interfere with the Dobsudsha column, it is expected here that this Russian force will leave the line of the Tehernavoda railway and envelope Silistria. It is officially announced that the Russians have taken possession of the whole of the Tchernavoda and Kustendje railway, the Turks having evacuated and partly burned Tchernavoda on last Tuesday

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